A TRUE ACCOUNT
Of the great Damages done by the Late
STORM,
Which happened between the Hours of Twelve and Four of the Clock on *Sunday* Morning, *January* the 12th. 1689.

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AMongst those Innumerable Benign and Favourable Influences of Providence, which it pleases Almighty God to afford Mankind, he is sometimes pleased to intermix more Awakening and Severe Dispensations, in order to induce them to a due Consideration of their Deserts, and his Power. Amongst which we may Justly reckon the above-mentioned *Storm*, the Effects whereof are very Surprizing.

It Tore up by the Roots about Fifty Trees in St. *James's* Park, and Fifteen in *Moor Fields*. It Blew down great numbers of Chimneys; and which is more, several strong and well Built Houses; as part of *Armorers-Hall* in *Coleman Street*, which with its fall, beat down part of a Neighbouring Dye-House. It also Blew down the Weathercock from St. *Michael's* Church in *Cornhill*; and which is very Remarkable, it blew open the Doors of *Bow Church*; as Mr. *Bennet* the Sexton is ready to testify.

But that which is most Lamentable, is, the loss of several Persons Lives, as by the fall of a House in *Gravel-Lane* in *Houndsditch* a Man was Kill'd, and a Child much Bruised; as also two Men more in *Shoreditch* were Kill'd by the fall of a House.

And upon the *Thames*, about 60 Empty Boats, were by the impetuosity of the Wind and Waves, driven upon the Bridge, and most of them Staved. But that which is most Deplorable, is, That Three *Graves-End* Barges, or Tilt-Boats, full of Men, Women, and Children, were all Cast away. And we are hourly Expecting to hear the Unwelcome News of some greater Losses at Sea.

We hear that at *Woolwich* several Lighters were Sunk, and several Stav'd, between that and *Long-Reach* at least 20. And the *Crown*, a Man of War, new fitted up, and but two days come out of the Dock at *Woolwich*, was run a Ground, but with great difficulty (the Kings Yard and all the Town rising to help her) she was kept from receiving any Damage.

At *Woolwich* likewise several Houses were Blown down, and 70 Trees were Blown up by the Roots in one Orchard.

At *Plumstreet*, a little Mile from *Woolwich*, several Trees were Blown up, and amongst the rest a Valnut-Tree, said to be the biggest in the whole County.

In fine, The Dammages done by this *Storm*, is hardly to be Computed; there being scarce a Street, Lane, Alley, or Court, but what has received some very Considerable Detriment thereby.

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A TRUE

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Which happened between the Hours of Two and Three a Clock on Sunday Morning, January 15th 1703.